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**AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUING  
EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA  
Sir:

In Response to the final Office Action of October 8, 2008, and accompanying a Request for Continuing Examination concurrently filed, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.